HOUSING STARTS AND BUILDING PERMITS IN MAY 1998

PRIVATELY OWNED HOUSING STARTS

New Privately Owned Housing Units Started by Type of Structure

In structures with - 5 units
Total 1 unit 2-4 units or more

1,494 1,095 34 275 1,502 1,132 40 330 1,461 1,144 38 279 1,383 1,076 43 264 1,501 1,174 45 262 1,503 1,124 64 341 1,523 1,167 40 316 1,540 1,130 62 348 1997 May June July August September October November December 1998 January February Merch (r) April (r) 1,545 1,225 49 271 1,616 1,263 63 290 1,585 1,239 45 301 1,541 1,233 44 264 1,530 1,228 40 262 3 3 14 7

In structures with -

		Total	1 unit	2 units	3-4 units	or more
Not seasonally adjusted						
1996		1,476.80	1,160.90	16.4	28.8	270.8
1997		1,474.00	1,133.70	18.1	26.4	295.8
	AVG. RSE(%	1	1	6	9	2
1997 First 5 months		575.9	453.5	5.8	9.3	107.2
1998 First 5 months		612.6	490	6.3	11	105.3
	AVG. RSE(%	1	1	8	13	5
1997		136.3	106.2	1.2	1.9	27
	June	140.4	108.8	1.4	2.6	27.5
	July	134.6	107.4	1.9	1.5	23.7
	August	126.5	98.8	1.5	2	24.2
	September	139.2	108.3	22	2	26.7
	October	139	99.2	2	4.4	33.4
	November	112.4	83.7	1.6	2.2	25
	December	106	73.9	1.8	2.3	28.1
1998	January	91.2	72.3	0.8	1.5	16.5
	February	101.1	78.9	0.8	3.2	18.1
	March(r)	132.6	107.2	1.6	1.9	21.9
	April (r)	144.5	116.6	1.7	2.3	23.8
	MAY (p)	143.2	115	1.3	1.9	25
	AVG. RSE(%	3	3	13	21	7

Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

AVG, RSE(%): Annual - Avg, RSE for the last two years.

YTD - Avg, RSE for the current period and the same period last year.

Monthly - Avg, RSE for the latest six month period (January-June or July-December).

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. (X) Not applicable. (Z) Less than 50 units or less than 0.5 percent.

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